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TITLE: Particulate metallurgical hot topping compositions and method of use

# Brief Summary Text (2):

Particulate metallurgical hot topping compositions are used in the casting of metal ingots to provide an insulating cover over the top of an as-cast ingot in order to increase the feeding life of the ingot hot top. Known compositions of this type, for example, are those manufactured and sold in particulate form by Exomet, Incorporated, under the trademarks CARBON-FREE HOT TOP and RED H.T. These compositions are mildly exothermic and react in the presence of molten metal to form a light insulating layer over the ingot. The insulating layer keeps the top of the ingot molten and thereby increases soundness of the finished ingot. These compositions react with the evolution of large quantities of dense smoke obliterating safe walkways and a large portion of the pouring area from the view of cranemen.

## Brief Summary Text (5):

Conventional monolithic (pressed and sintered) solid exothermic hot tops are usually made from a particulate material such as disclosed in U.S. Pat. No. 3,144,690, sintered at low temperature (e.g. 200.degree. C or 482.degree. F) to form solid panels such as shown in U.S. Pat. No. 3,183,562 and then when contacted by the molten metal react exothermically to liberate large quantities of heat to keep the top of the ingot molten. The surface temperature of the molten metal is about 300.degree. F (1649.degree. C) at which temperature a particulate composition with conventional binders as exemplified by the above U.S. patents would react exothermically to form an irregular sintered mass that would float on the molten metal rather than form a crust. In order to form a uniform article, such compositions must be sintered at low temperature for a prolonged time. The basic compositions used for molded hot tops and other molded and cured articles are not referred to as hot topping compositions (compounds) by those skilled in the art since the art recognizes that the compositions to be moldable must have a binder.

### Brief Summary Text (40):

In use, the molten metal (e.g. steel) is poured into an ingot mold allowing for headroom in the ingot above the molten metal. If a solid hot top is used, the same procedure applies. The headroom is basically a reservoir defined by the ingot hot top walls and molten metal with an open top. This is sometimes referred to as pouring an ingot down 2 inches or 4 inches or the depth depending upon melt shop practice. The topping mixture is placed in the reservoir by bag, shovel, hand, or other convenient means flowing over the surface of molten metal and then reacting to form the crust and sealing against the ingot or hot top walls.

### CLAIMS:

1. A metallurgical hot topping <u>composition</u> that when placed on the exposed <u>molten</u> metal in an ingot mold reacts to form a self-supporting insulating crust and then exhibits secondary burn to prolong the feeding life of the <u>hot top</u> reservoir metal consisting essentially of:

said  $\underline{\text{composition}}$  being formulated so that the ratio of FeO + Al.sub.2 O.sub.3 + SiO.sub.2 to Al is between 1.48/1 to 3.85/1.

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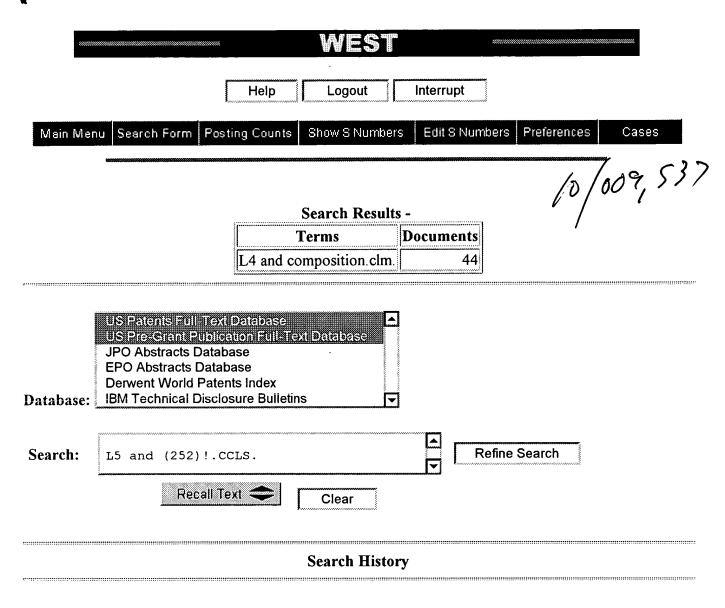
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<u>3326273</u> June 1967 Jago et al. 106/38.27

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